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Ch/G Staff Meeting
17 June 1958
ACTION REQUIRED

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Action Required of Chief/G</u>	<u>Action Required of Divisions</u>
1.		D/GG to review approach to NIS program as necessary.
2.	NONE REQUIRED	
3.		D/GG to watch terms of reference for possible contributions we might make.
4.	NONE REQUIRED	
5.	NONE REQUIRED	
6.		D/GG to examine possibilities for GM's which were suggested and look up the [REDACTED] report mentioned. 25X1X7
7.		New procedure to be watched closely by divisions and problems worked out with Reading Panel.
8.	NONE REQUIRED	
9.	NONE REQUIRED	
10.	NONE REQUIRED	
11.		D/GC and D/GL to consider further.

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MINUTES OF THE GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH AREA STAFF MEETING, 10 JUNE 1958

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PRESENT: [REDACTED]

1. NIS Program for FY 1959

In view of the NIS FY 1959 program for the production of 12 Annuals, Chief/G indicated the need to review our approach to the whole NIS program to insure that what is being done is really needed to satisfy stated requirements. Anything we could do to cut down on unessential details would be a savings in man-hours. It was brought out that, in essence, the purpose of the Annual is to report changes since the production of the last Section 19 on the area.

2. D/GL Requirement on Polish Mapping

Chief/G questioned why a recent requirement from D/GL on Polish Mapping was directed only to [REDACTED] Chief, D/GL, explained that it was in answer to a specific request of DD/P's. [REDACTED] stated that it seemed reasonable in this particular case, but that we should be extremely careful to get our requirements into the right hands for the best results. 25X1A8a 25X1A9a

3. NIE's

Chief/G reported that the Area is now receiving the full routing on all forthcoming NIE's. Some of these seem to offer possibilities for small contributions from the Geography Division.

4. Meeting of NIS Commitments

Chiefs, D/GC, and D/GG indicated that, with the use of a considerable amount of overtime, FY 1958 NIS commitments would be met.

5. Reproduction Problems

Reproduction problems of the divisions were discussed, and it was concluded that there has been no material improvement in the situation.

6. Possible GM Items

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The group was shown a copy of a recent [REDACTED] with the suggestion that it might be used as a guideline for types of articles for future GM's. The following items were suggested as possibilities: Somaliland and the Horn area

Kenya area

Map showing USSR economic penetration -- regional distribution and intensity -- or perhaps a map showing US-USSR overlap of areas of influence

Somewhat remote areas which are of intelligence interest.

7. Routing of Material by ORR Reading Panel

The Divisions were asked how the new procedure of receiving materials direct from the Reading Panel was working out. To date, all seems to be going smoothly; Chief/G asked that it be watched very closely, and any problems worked out either through [REDACTED] or 25X1A9a directly with the Reading Panel.

The following facts were brought out, in answer to questions from the group: (1) Records of subscriptions are kept by [REDACTED] 25X1A9a of St/I/D; (2) In regard to reproduction, D/GC will take care of D/GG's requirements as well as their own; [REDACTED] will continue taking care of 25X1A9a D/GL's; and (3) [REDACTED] will still handle the routing of State Material to the entire Geographic Area.

8. Visit of Foreign Cartographers

Chief, D/GC, reported that the proposed tour of D/GC by the foreign cartographers was disapproved on security grounds. The visitors will be escorted by D/GC personnel on their tours of other agencies, and will invite them on a day's trip to study local terrain, etc.

9. Streamlining of Reports in D/GC

Chief, D/GC, reported that his Division has streamlined their 3 monthly reports, to the extent that their issuance now requires 30 to 35% less manhours.

10. New Control System for Dissemination of D/GC-Produced Maps

D/GC and D/GL have agreed to the institution of a new procedure for the distribution and control of maps produced by D/GC.

11. CIA Credit Line on Maps Produced by D/GC

Chief/G questioned reasons for omitting a CIA credit line on D/GC-produced maps which are classified. Chiefs, D/GC and D/GL stated that this had been tried in the past and that it presented quite a problem when such maps were declassified. It was agreed, however, that it might present less of a problem now; [REDACTED] asked that D/GC and D/GL give further thought to this. 25X1A9a